

Wisconsin Lacrosse Federation Meeting Minutes
Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors
September 10, 2023, 7:30pm

Call to Order at 7:30pm

Roll Call

x	Randy Kohn	President	x	Tracy Kaczik	Comm & Marketing Director
x	Seamus O'Shea	Vice President	x	Brendon O'Shea	Events Director
x	Becky Unterriker	Secretary	x	Emily Anderson	Youth Director
x	Carla Miller	Treasurer	x	Jack Fleming	WIAA Liaison
	VACANT	Past President	x	Rich Thomson	Bay Valley Representative
x	Dave Wollin	Officials Director	x	Brian Holmes	Badgerland Representative
	Indy Stluka	Girls Director		Robin Buckley	MAYLA Representative
	Eric Marsh	Boys Director	x	Matt Burke	USA Lacrosse
x	Dave Diehl	Coaches Director			

1. **Approval of Agenda (Kohn).** Motion to approve the agenda as drafted (Diehl). 2nd (Unterriker) Approved 10-0.
2. **USA Lacrosse Updates (Burke)** (1) Membership platform has changed and now includes (a) roster verification tool for program administrators (b) e-learning platform (c) coaching education modules. (2) Will be shifting to a coaching education model similar to USA Hockey. (3) USA Lacrosse will no longer host Laxcon. For 2023, there will be a “mini convention” in Indianapolis called the Lacrosse Academy. Dates are Oct. 7-9, 2023. Open to coaches, officials, trainers, etc.
3. **Minutes from 07/09/2023 (Unterriker).** Motion to accept the 07/09/23 minutes as drafted (Unterriker). 2nd (Kohn). Approved 10-0.
4. **Financial Report (Miller).** For the time period of 7/10/23 – 9/10/23: (1) Income of \$100.00 for youth team dues and \$4632.28 for state tournament revenue. (2) Expenses of \$65.99 for bank services and \$11,900.70 for state tournament expenses. Cash balance on 9/10/23 is \$50,427.01.
5. **Director’s and Conference Reports**
 - a. **WIAA (Fleming)** – (1) WIAA was not expecting that new conferences would be formed for the 2024 season. Understanding was that nothing would change for year 1. Nonetheless, the former Classic 8, Big Badger/Badgerland and Bay Valley high school conferences have realigned into conferences used by other sports. Former Classic 8 -> Classic 8, Greater Metro, North Shore and a new conference TBD. Former Big Badger/Badgerland -> Badger, Big 8. Former Bay Valley -> Fox Valley, Fox River Classic. Hudson and Superior will be independent. (2) The deadline for teams to request a conference realignment for lacrosse is Oct. 1.
 - b. **Officials (Wollin)** – (1) Had a meeting with YOTA and the LOAs to discuss direction moving forward. Will stick to the status quo for recruiting and training officials/umpires. (2) Would like to see fall and winter training. (3) Board discussed access for assignors to WIAA website and officials’ registration for lacrosse on the WIAA website.
 - c. **High School Girls (Stluka)** – no report
 - d. **High School Boys (Marsh)** – no report
 - e. **Coaches (Diehl)** – (1) Will begin looking into forming coaches’ associations for boys and girls lacrosse. Coaches associations for baseball, football, golf, hockey, softball,

swimming, tennis, and wrestling are officially incorporated entities registered with the DFI. (2) ADs are responsible for communicating WIAA contact rules to coaches.

- f. **Communications & Marketing (Kaczik)** – nothing to report
- g. **Events (B. O’Shea)** – Still working on annual report.
- h. **Youth (Anderson)** – (1) Currently 12 U14 A boys teams interested in a statewide league with games on Saturdays and a state tournament.
- i. **Bay Valley (Thomson)** – (1) Held board elections. (2) Shifting focus toward youth. (3) Discussed the U14 A boys league. (4) Will hold a National Celebrate Lacrosse event on 11/11/23 at Pulaski Middle School.
- j. **Badgerland (Holmes)** – no report
- k. **MAYLA (Buckley)** – no report

6. Old Business

7. New Business

- a. **Board Restructure (Kohn)** – The shift to youth focus for the WLF does not necessarily mean fewer board positions.
- b. **Elections (Miller/Unterriker)** – The following positions were up for election:
 - i. Treasurer – 3 year term to expire 8/31/26
 - ii. Secretary – 2 year term to expire 8/31/25
 - iii. Coaches Director - 3 year term to expire 8/31/26
 - iv. Girls Director - 3 year term to expire 8/31/26
 - v. Communications & Marketing Director - 3 year term to expire 8/31/26

There were no nominations submitted. Motion to extend the terms of the current Treasurer, Secretary, Coaches Director, Girls Director and Communications & Marketing Director until 8/31/24 or until a replacement is found (Kohn). 2nd (Wollin). Approved 10-0.

Adjourn at 8:50pm. Motion to adjourn (Diehl). Second (Anderson). Approved 10-0.

Next Executive Committee Meeting: October 15, 2023 at 7:00pm via ZOOM

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WLF Committee Assignments for 2022-2023

- Constituent – Unterriker, Diehl
- Grievance – Kaczik, Fleming
- HOF – Anderson, Wollin
- Nominating – Miller, Unterriker
- Special Events – B. O’Shea, Marsh
- USAL Awards – Stluka, Anderson
- YOTA – Wollin, S. O’Shea

Reference Table – Youth League Votes for 2023-2024

	Youth Boys		Youth Girls		Total	
	Teams	Votes	Teams	Votes	Teams	Votes
Badgerland	43	3	17	3	60	6
Bay Valley	28	3	7	1	35	4
MAYLA	88	3	34	3	122	6
Total	137	-	58	-	195	-